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Sir:

Applicants request a refund of \$100 in view of incorrect charges to Deposit Account No.23-0975 on February 17, 2005. The corresponding fee codes indicate the charges were in connection with: (1) PCT National Stage Examination fees and (2) Assignment fees. The charges are incorrect.

A total fee amount of \$940 (including \$900 for filing, search and examination; and \$40 for an assignment) was paid at the time of filing. A copy of the PTO date- stamped post card showing the fees paid, is enclosed.

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